## **PROCLAMATION**



## Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, November is National Runaway and Homeless Youth Prevention Month; and

**WHEREAS**, National Runaway Prevention Month began in 2002 and is presented each year by the National Runaway Safeline, the federally designated national communication system for runaway and homeless youth; and

**WHEREAS**, runaway youth are often expelled from their home, have experienced trauma, struggle to meet their own basic needs, and are at increased danger of falling into high-risk situations, including human trafficking; and

**WHEREAS**, effective community programming to support runaway and homeless youth and their families succeeds because of partnerships created among youth, families, and youth-centered service organizations, community-based human service agencies, law enforcement, schools, and local businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, Home Base along with the Boys & Girls Club of the Fox Valley is delivering its third annual Youth on the Move event to raise awareness, support, and resources for young people in the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JACOB A. WOODFORD**, Mayor of the City of Appleton, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim November 2021 as

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in Appleton and encourage all citizens to recognize the role we can all play in advocating for and providing safe alternatives to this vulnerable population of young people.



Signed and sealed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of November 2021.

JACOB A. WOODFORD MAYOR OF APPLETON